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STATE OF DELAWARE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Division of Professional Regulation

861 Silver Lake Blvd., Conference Room A Cannon Bldg., Dover, Delaware 19904

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: April 18, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charles Adams, Jr., Professional Member, Chair Kelly Katz, Professional Member, Vice-Chair Franco R. Bellafante, Professional Member James Bielicki, Jr., Professional Member Deborah Cottrell, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Carla Cassell-Carter, Public Member, Secretary

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Whitney Bonnett Diane Calloway Jill Myers

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Adams called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Bielicki, seconded by Ms. Cottrell, to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2019 meeting as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion on Drone Usage for Surveying

Mr. Adams advised that he had recently received correspondence from the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) that included a study that was being conducted regarding drone usage in surveys.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Adams said that the Board will continue looking into this form of survey and discussing at future meetings.

Discussion on Plan Certification

The Board had a brief discussion on the certification of plans referring to prior work completed as a basis for new surveys, with emphasis on elevation certifications and minor/major subdivision certifications.

The Board will continue this discussion at future meetings.

<u>Discussion on Requirements for Licensure</u>

Mr. Bellafante stated after last month's discussion on this topic he looked at what the practice is in the State of Maryland as they are substantially similar to Delaware.

After a brief discussion on the current requirements for licensure with regards to experience not accruing concurrent with education, it was suggested that Mr. Katz will reach out to DAS for additional information and continue discussing at future meetings.

Review of Reciprocity Applications

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Bellafante, seconded by Mr. Katz, to approve Jason Gustafson, James Conway, Jr. and Chester Hedderman III for licensure contingent on receiving a passing score of the Delaware Drainage and Jurisprudence exam. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Registration as a Land Surveyor Intern Applications

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Bielicki, seconded by Mr. Katz, to approve the registration as a land surveyor intern application of Nicholas Bailey. The motion was unanimously carried.

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Bielicki, seconded by Ms. Cottrell, to approve the registration as a land surveyor intern application of Michael Hungerford contingent upon receipt of an updated supervisory form. The motion was unanimously carried.

Ratify Certificate of Authorization Applications

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A motion was made by Mr. Bielicki, seconded by Mr. Bellafante, to approve the ratified certificate of authorization application of Blew & Associates, P.A., with Jerome Brunner listed as Professional in Charge. The motion was unanimously carried.

Request for Approval of Professional Development Hours

After review, a motion was made by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mr. Bielicki, to approve the requests for approval of professional development hours as follows:

New York State Association of Professional Land Surveyors

Forensic Surveying, 1.5 hours

BIM for the Professional Land Surveyor, 4 hours

Easement Law Part 1, 1.5 hours

Easement Law Part 2, 1.5 hours

UAV Accuracy Assessment for Surveying, 4 hours

Mapping Existing Urban Drainage with Airborne LiDAR, 1.5 hours

Ethical Issues of Land Surveying Profession, 1.5 hours

Writing Legal Descriptions, 4 hours

Laser Scanning Showcase, 4 hours

Tides and Tidal Datums. 1.5 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received from the NCEES the 2018 Annual Report, the 2018 edition of Squared and the 97th Annual Meeting Minutes and Reference Material.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Ms. Witte advised the Board that there was one candidate out of five who passed the March 8, 2019 Delaware Drainage and Jurisprudence exam.

Ms. Witte advised that the Board's Bill is still on the House Ready list.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Whitney Bonnett, student at Delaware Technical and Community College, voiced her opinion on the experience hours achieved concurrent with her education.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be April 18, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in Conference Room A.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Bielicki, seconded by Mr. Bellafante, to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 a.m. The motion was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Q. Witte

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Administrative Specialist II